
**Thomas Jefferson to James Monroe, August 25,
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The moment my dear friend, is come which I was so anxious should happen in your time. the office of P.M. in Richmd. is become vacant by the long expected death of the incumbent, and I cannot omit to urge my former suits in behalf of Colo. Peyton, in the several cases in which I have been forced to hand to you the names of solicitants for office I never suffered my wishes to go beyond the duties of meer testimony. In this case I confess my personal anxieties are deeply embarked. But they too should have been restrained had I not known the object of them to be in capacity for the office integrity, diligence, worth, and public esteem and confidence equal to what can be urged for any competitor. I hope you will pardon my laying your frdship under contribn in this single case and consider me now as ever devotedly yours. Th. J.

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